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FOR SECRETARY FROM BRUCE.

DEPTEL 2269.

HAVE DELAYED SENDING THIS TELEGRAM IN ANTICIPATION  
RECEIPT PRESIDENT'S PUBLIC STATEMENT WHICH NOT YET  
HERE ALMOST FOUR HOURS LATER, EXCEPT FOR FIRST OF  
SEVERAL PARTS.

PRIME MINISTER STILL ANXIOUSLY AWAITING TEXT SINCE HE  
WISHES TO COMMUNICATE WITH PRESIDENT AFTER READING IT.

COOPER ACCOMPANIED ME, AND HELPED BRIEF PRIMIN. LATTER  
ACCEPTED VALIDITY EVIDENCE EXISTENCE OFFENSIVE CAPABILITIES  
AND CONSIDERED SITUATION GRAVE. LORD HOME SAT IN ON  
MOST OF CONVERSATION.

BOTH BRITISH OFFICIALS

BUT IN ABSENCE KNOWLEDGE CONTENTS SPEECH SUCH CONVERSATION  
WAS HYPOTHETICAL. PRIMIN WILL CONSIDER TEXT IMMEDIATELY

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UPON RECEIPT AND COMMENT SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

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